

## **Section 100.3**

### **Critical Coastal Areas**

#### **A. Watersheds of Poorly Flushed Estuaries**

1. The Council reserves the right to review any activity proposed within the watersheds of poorly flushed estuaries and critical coastal areas. Therefore the Council has developed and adopted Special Area Management Plans in order to address the specific environmental concerns of those priority management areas. In addition to those activities captured under the Council's management program, activities within Special Area Management Plans (as delineated by the poorly flushed estuary boundary on the attached RICRMP maps, and on the maps accompanying each SAM plan) that have a reasonable probability of conflicting with the goals of this plan must submit an application for an assent. These activities are:

- a) Subdivisions, cooperatives, and other multi-ownership facilities [of six (6) units or more];
- b) Any structure serviced by an on-site sewage disposal system servicing 2,000 gallons or more per day;
- c) Any activity which results in the creation of 40,000 sq. ft. or more of impervious surface;
- d) Construction or extension of municipal or industrial sewage facilities or systems (not connections to individual homes); and,
- e) Water distribution systems or extensions of supply lines (not connections to individual homes).

Applicants proposing one or more of these activities shall apply to the Council. For more detailed mapping of the poorly flushed estuaries and their adjacent land use areas, as well as policies and recommendations pertaining to these areas, please see the appropriate Special Area Management Plan.